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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE ON MOTLANA BANNING

1. FOLLOWING PRESS GUIDANCE WAS PREPARED FOR USE AT DEPARTMENT'S NOON PRESS BRIEFING SEPTEMBER 7, BUT WAS NOT USED IN ABSENCE OF QUESTION. IT IS BEING PROVIDED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE USE.

2. BEGIN TEXT: QUESTION: WHAT COMMENT DO YOU HAVE ON THE NEWS REPORT FROM YESTERDAY THAT DR. NTHATO MOTLANA, OF THE SOWETO GROUP OF 1O, HAS BEEN BANNED?

ANSWER: WHEN VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE MET WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER LAST MAY, HE EXPRESSED OUR VIEW THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT SOME KIND OF PROCESS BEGIN IN SOUTH AFRICA WHEREBY WHITE AND BLACK LEADERS CONSULT ON AND DISCUSS THE POLITICAL FUTURE OF THEIR COUNTRY. WE
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CONSIDER DR. MOTLANA TO BE ONE OF THOSE BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS WHO HAS BEEN PLAYING A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN ATTEMPTING TO FURTHER THIS KIND OF PROCESS. WHILE THE BANNING ORDER IS LIMITED IN ITS SCOPE AND DURATION. WE NONETHELESS SEE THIS ACTION AS A REGRETTABLE ONE, WHICH IN OUR VIEW CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE TO PEACEFUL CHANGE IN SOUTH AFRICA. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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